**REMARKS** 

This paper is being provided in response to the Election of Species Requirement mailed

March 21, 2005, for the above-referenced application. As noted above, Applicant elects Species

II for examination. Further, Applicant submits herewith a Preliminary Amendment in which

claims 1-13 and 17-19 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter

thereof and new claims 20-27 have been added to clarify that which Applicant considers to be

the invention. Applicant respectfully submits that the new claims are fully supported by the

originally-filed application. Applicant submits that pending claims 14-16 and new claims 20-27

read on the elected species of the invention.

Favorable consideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. Should there be any

questions after reviewing this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 617-

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